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Even in the international perspective, the slouch hat has become greater than the crowned head.

Will it be wine or beer at the christening of the German yacht, or just plain sarsaparilla?

That Filipino general may have been a perfect lady, but war is not a good business for a lady to be in.

Mr. Schwab should never forget that he is held up as a shining example to the young men of America.

It is manifest that Tientsin tanglefoot will not permit the military brethren to dwell together in unity.

We hope the government ukase against long-haired Indians does not apply to the Carlisle football team.

Chile always seems to be spoiling for a fight. It may go up against an antagonist too heavy for it some day.

Marconi and Croker are going to England on the same boat-the wireless man and the man of many wires.

If Signor Marconi will get that S to come unmistakably in this shape, \$. we may not be as skeptical as at present.

Three presidents of the United States have been of Scotch-Irish descent. The remainder have been of American ascent.

By meeting for terrible conflict in a cemetery the Colombian combatants are certain to leave some dead behind them.

If the rumor of a donation of \$26,-000,000 to the University of Chicago is untrue, possibly the correct figure is \$27,000,000.

King Edward has started the fashion of wearing bracelets. They are indispensable when a man won't go along peaceably.

French scientists shake their heads when discussing Prof. Loeb's discoveries and advise the undertakers not to go out of business.

The Egyptian women wore corsets 3,902 years ago. That's why the mummies are in such a fine state of preservation. Long live the corset!

John D. Rockefeller, Jr., says the world does not owe any man a living. Nor does the world give every young man a multimillionaire for a father.

OUR CAUSES FOR THANKSGIVING TO THE GOD OF LOVE.

Text from Psalms: "Sing Unto Him with a Psaltery and an Instrument of Ten Strings" - Favors Lavishly Bestowed Received with Ingratitude.

(Copyright, 1902, by Louis Klopsch, N. Y.) Washington, Feb. 2 .- In this discourse Dr. Talmage calls attention to causes of thanksgiving that are seldom recognized and shows how to cultivate a cheerful spirit; text, Psalms xxxiii, 2, "Sing unto him with a psaltery and an instrument of ten strings." A musician as well as poet and conqueror and king was David, the author of my text. He first composed the sacred rhythm and then played it upon a harp, striking and plucking the strings with his fingers and thumbs. The harp is the oldest of musical inctruments. Jubal invented it, and he was the seventh descendant from Adam. Its music was sugested by the twang of the bowstring. Homer refers to the harp in the "Iliad." It is the most consecrated of all instruments, it has a tenderness and sweetness belonging to no other instrument that I know of. It enters into the richest symbolism of the Holy Scriptures. The raptures of heaven are represented under the figure of "harpers harping on their harps." We learn from coins and medals that in the Maccabean age the harp had only

three strings. In other ages it had eight strings. David's harp had ten strings, and when his great soul was voice, accompanied by exquisite vibration of the chords, must have been overpowering.

With as many things to complain about as any man ever had David wrote more anthems than any other man ever wrote. Indeed, the more his roubles the mightier his sacred poems. The words "praise" and "song" are so often repeated in his psalms that one would think the typesetter's case containing the letters with which those words are spelled would be exhausted. In my text David calls upon the people to praise the Lord with an instrument of ten strings, like that which he was accustomed to finger. The simple fact is that the most of us, if we praise the Lord at all, play upon one string or two strings or three strings when we ought to take a harp fully chorded and with glad fingers sweep all the strings. Instead of being grateful for here and there a blessing we happen to think of, we ought to rehearse all our blessings so far as we can recall them and obey the injunction of my text to sing unto him with an instrument of ten strings.

Have you ever thanked God for delightsome food? What vast multitudes obliged to take food not toothsome or pleasant to the taste! What millions that mow four of the great-to the taste will see Paul and hear from him how Thank God that now four of the great-will see Paul and hear from him how Thank God that now four of the great-

clang of a cathedral tower.

Further, there are many who never heart wrong, all is wrong. recognize how much God gives them when he gives them sleep. Insomnia harp and returne it while we celebrate is a calamity wider known in our land gospel advantages. The highest style than in any other. Sleeplessness is an of civilization the world has ever seen American disorder. If it has not touch- is American civilization, and it is built ed you and you can rest for seven or out of the gospel of pardon and good eight hours without waking-if for that length of time in every twentyfour hours you can be free of all care our sorrows, brightens our hopes, in- tors, and worriment and your nerves are spires our courage; forgives our sins retuned and your limbs escape from all fatigue and the rising sun finds you a who is all wrong and makes him all new man, oody, mind and soul-you right. What that gospel has done for have an advantage that ought to be put in prayer and song and congratulation. The French financier, almost the world and will yet do for the nawealthy enough to purchase a kingdom | tions it will take the thousand years of but the victim of insomnia, wrote: "No slumber to be bought in any market." He was right. Sleep is a gratuity from its orbit a redeemed planet, girdled

edge the power of physical locomotion. To be able to go where we wish and all tain! All that and more will come to unalded-what a kindness! What multitudes have to call in the aid of cane and crutch and invalid's chair, and their whole life is a hinderment! How hard to get about with lacs of strong tude. I now come to the tenth and the and healthy and supple limbs! Congratulated ought you all to be if you have the usual physical endowment. and sympathized with ought all those afire with the theme his sympathetic to be who can neither walk nor climb nor enter upon any great activities. That is one of the thousands of reasons why I hate war with a complete hatred. It takes off with bullet or shell or surgeon's knife the capacity of men to achieve their own livelihood or do want to meet soon after we pass the work for which they would other- through the gates. We want to see and wise be fully qualified. Brave men self-sacrificing men, for the rest of

> war of the Revolution when it was stabbed with the bayonets and black-ened with the gunpowder of 1812. Hardly recovered was our American manhood from that when the war with Mexico began its butchery. Hardly trank with Daniel, and he will see and talk with Daniel, and he will tell us how he cae Belshazzar's banqueting from that before the civil war took hold of it and dug its grave trench stabbed with the bayonets and black-

> that we ought always to thrum after necessities of life many are unspeakahearing the voice of a loved one or bly happy, while others with all the LESSON VII, FEB. 16; ACTS 5: 33-42 the last strain of an oratorio, or the luxuries are impersonations of misery. Your heart right, all is right; your

> > But we must tighten the cords of our Golden Text-"Blessed Are They Which morals. That gospel rocked our cradle, and it will epitaph our grave. It soothes and saves our souls. It takes a man you and me is a story that we can their never fully tell. What it has done for the milleanium to celebrate. Oh, what a world this will be when it rotates in hurt or destroy in al' God's holy moun-

the more memorable-beavenly anticipation. By the grace of God we are will wonder that we were for so many

will see David, a mightier king in heaven than he ever was on earth, and self-sacrificing men, for the rest of their life are put on the limits and strangely suffer in stormy weather from limbs amputated. How much of the human family in every century has been cut up aud shot to pieces and passed into mutila-tion! American manhood had hardly recovered from the lacerations of the war of the Revolution when it was will tell us of the coming down of the called to be carved by the swords and walls of Jericho at the blast of the ram's horn and explain to us that

hold of it and dug its grave trench how the lions proceed him with loving by

who ever touched our earth, derisively

called "this fellow;" his last hours

writhing on spikes of infinite torture;

among your heavenly anticipations.

gladness. I have mentioned just ten---

Notice how many more fair days

# hearing apparatus of the lock. That is not what we get, but what we are, that one of the ten strings of gratitude decides our happiness. With the bare THE SUNDAY SCHOOL.

-THE SECOND PERSECUTION.

Are Persecuted for Righteousness' Sake: For Theirs Is the Kingdom of Heaven"-Notes on Persecution.

The Occasion of the Persecution.-Vs. 12-16. Distinguish between the Cause and the Occasion of the persecution. The Cause lay in the hearts of the persecutors, whose rank, power, authority, hon-or and income might be affected by the success of the gospel; and whose con-science would accuse them of the murder of the Messiah, and the ruin of their na-tion. The Occasion was the success of the gospel; the great numbers of converts, the transformation of their character gospel; the great numbers of converts, the transformation of their character, their noble and joyous life, their pure teachings, their generosity, and the many things done by them to relieve disease, sorrow and poverty. The leaders had their choice of two ways: they could try to do better things than the Christians, or they could try to stop the progress of those who were doing these things. They chose the latter way.

He was right. Sleep is a gratuity from him who never sleeps. Oh, the felici-ties of slumber! Let all who have this real benefaction celebrate it. That is one of the sweetest strings in all the instrument of ten strings. Further, let us gratefully acknowlto heroes, ungodiliness into cowards "Did not we straitly." Strictly. "I have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine tain! All that and more will come to pass, for "the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it." So far I have mentioned nine of the ten strings of the instrument of graul-tude. I now come to the teuth and the last. I mention it last that it may be to preach the gospel to the rulers, who could not have been reached in any other

ay. "We ought to obey God rather than going to move into a place of cloud we allo better than this that on arriving we will wonder that we were for so many will wonder that we were for so many years so loath to make the transfer. After we have seen Christ face to face and rejoiced over our departed kindred there are some mighty pirits we will want to meet soon after we pass through the gates. We want to see and will see D ride a mighting him the set of the same before, but had failed. God had given life to him whom they had killed, and exalted him whom they rejected. But there was still room their nation could be saved. That this was true was proved by a double array of witheses the apostles, and the Holy as true was proved by a double array witnesses, the apostles, and the Holy Spirit.

The Persecutors fighting against God. cuser would bring innocence to the ac

up one in th "Then stood

through the north and its grave trench how the lions proceed him with loving by force. For it ther laber of our librough the north and its grave trench fawn instead of stroke of cruel paw. I field on by only human power. "It will through the south. Hardly was our We will see and talk with Solomon, come to nought." Such work as the aposthrough the north and its grave trench fawn instead of knows of a second talk with Solomon, come to nought." Such work as that such the south. Hardly was our whose talk is are gone, but whose in-"It will are a-hungered from day to day or are that when the Spanish war came, with spired engrams stand out stronger and man power would rise against any insur-

#### A PETRIFIED FOREST.

Almost everyone has heard of the petrified forest in Arizona, but few know that it is comparatively easy of access to visitors.

The distance from the railroad is but seven miles and at the station Adamana, on the Santa Fe, a few miles east of Holbrook, Mr. Albert Stevenson maintains a small inn, accommodating about ten people and provides a spring wagon outfit and several saddle ponies for those who desire to visit the forest. The old ploneer, Adam Hanna, who,

in the sense that John Hance made the Grand Canyon, made the Petrified Forest, has moved away.

At the forest there are hundreds of sections of tree trunks of various sizes and in variegated colors lying exposed on the plain or half buried in the hillsides. There are several extinct volcanoes in the vicinity of the forest and about two miles from the railway station are the ruins of an old Aztec settlement and curious hieroglyphics carved on rock.

Stop-overs are granted at Adamana on through railroad and Pullman tickets where the holders desire to visit the Petrified Forest.

The man on the sidewalk sees more of the procession than the drum major does.

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#### DEFIANCE STARCH

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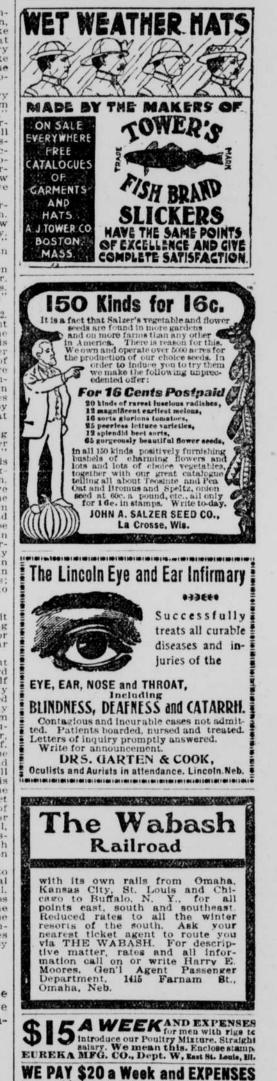
To appreciate the splendor of the dawn one must have known the gloom of the night.

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It takes many a woman a long while to find out how small a part she plays in the world.



A Mississippi judge has declared that a negroe's head is a deadly weapon. It was not generally supposed that this fact needed judicial determination.

Buffalo has felt so lonely since the passing of the exposition that she has been compelled to invent a 212-pound oyster fished out of the Niagara river.

French critics protest against American writers of historical novels making history for France. They declare that French romancers are fully equal to the occasion.

One of the most foolish things in modern class prejudice is the drawing of the color line in football. All the mop-headed gladiators look alike before the first half is over.

That New York man who used a whistle to call his wife and a whip to correct her should not be difficult to blindness that gradually crept over his or a sudden calamity or any one of classify; but out of consideration for the brute creation we refrain.

Far better than the man who puts on sackcloth for his sins is he who scatters ashes under his neighbor's feet on the slippery spots of the front pavement .- Baltimore American.

The men that robbed an Omaha gambling den say that they thought their occupation was open to no more objection than that of their victims. They pretty nearly make out their case.

The South American Pan-Latin feeling against the United States is Pan-Greek to most of us now. Let us hope that it may never be translated into the frying-pan vernacular of military through the heavens does not startle dispatches.

It must be admitted that Cupid chooses queer weapons. Yesterday at the stockyards Kubelik smelled a bucket of lard, and this action suggested to a young woman stenographer that the violinist has domestic tastes. Thereupon she dropped him a dainty note hinting that her tastes were also domestic and suggesting that a meeting might be to their mutual advantage.

Just think of the dear old London Times complaining in a column editorial because there are not footwarmers enough to go around in the railway trains moving in and out of London. The footwarmers are contemporary with the warming pans of our daddies, but they are still yearning for 'em in dear old Lunnon.

Italy, in considering the distinctions made by this country in locating the responsibility for lynching, feels that it has encountered something very much like the old fifteen puzzle.

are in struggle for bread!

that do not come to all? What fruits, get the crusts and rinds and peelings that fall from your table. For the fine flavors and the luxurious viands you have enjoyed for a lifetime perhaps you have never expressed to God a word of thanksgiving.

Have you thanked God for eyesight as originally given to you or, after it was dimmed by age, for the glass that brought the page of the book within the compass of the vision? Have you realized the privation those suffer to whom the day is as black as the night and who never see the face of father or mother or wife or child or friend? cently went blind from atrophy of op- stellar illumination. tic nerve would have been willing to give all his millions and become a day laborer if he could have kept off the

vision. Have you ever given thanks for two eyes-media between the soul inside one but the infinite God could create? The eye, the window of our immortal nature, the gate through which all colors march, the picture gallery of the soul! Without the eye this world is a big dungeon. I fear that many of us have never given one hearty expression of gratitude for treasure of sight,

the loss of which is the greatest disaster possible unless it be the loss of the mind. Further, notice how many pass through life in silence because the ear

refuses to do its office. They never hear music, vocal or instrumental. The thunder that rolls its full diapason the prolonged silence. The air that has for us so many melodies has no sweet sound for them. They live in a quietude that will not be broken until heaven breaks in upon them with its harmonies. The bird voices of the springtime, the chatter of the children. the sublime chant of the sea, the solo of the cantatrice and the melody of the great worshiping assemblies mean nothing to them. Have we devoutly thanked God for these two wonders of our hearing, with which we can now put ourselves under the charm of sweet sound and also carry in our memories the infantile song with which our mothers put us to sleep, and the voices of the great prima donnas like Lind and Patti and Neilson, and the sound of instruments like the violin of the Swedish performer, or the cornet of Arbuckle, or the mightiest of all instruments, with the hand of Morgan on the keys and his foot on the pedal, or some Sabbath tune like "Coronation," in the acclaim of which you could hear the crowns of menven coming down at the feet of Jesus? Many of us have never thanked God for this

est nations are allied in good under-Have you appreciated the fact that standing-the United States, England, audience of skeptics on Mars hill on most of your tables are luxuries Germany and Russia-and if they will do the right things they can forever what nuts, what meats regale your ap- stop national and international strife petite, while many would be glad to and put an end to wholesale amputation.

Further, celebrate on the instrument of ten strings our illumined nights. They spread their tents over us, and some of us hardly go out to look at some of us hardly go out to look at them. During the nights other worlds come in sight. We thank God for the day; we ought also to thank him for the night. Worlds on worlds in sight of the naked eye, but more worlds re-vealed by telescope. At least one night in his lifetime every man ought to go into astronomical observatory and see what has been done by the great World Builder. Thank God for lunar and stellar illumination. Further, on the instrument of ten strings celebrate the possession of our The man of millions of dollars who re- | Builder. Thank God for lunar and

strings celebrate the possession of our reason. A severe stroke upon the head fifty kinds of accident might dethrone our reason and leave us worse off than the brute, for the brute has a substiand the world outside, media that no | tute for reason in what is called instinct, but a man's brain shattered. and he has neither mind nor instinct. The asylums for the insane, though all the time multiplying, are not enough to shelter the demented. Through the cramming system employed in many of the schools of this country there are tens of thousands of children having their brain depleted. Philosophers at ten years of age, astronomers at eleven years of age, geologists at twelve years of age. They will be first on examination day, but last in all matters of useful and successful life. It would be amusing to see how much children are expected to learn and know if it were not connected with the tragedies of damaged intellects which follow.

> Another string of this instrument 1 now touch-friendships, deep and abiding, by which I refer to those people who, when good or bad motive may be ascribed to you, ascribe the good; those use at least three, and I think five, nuconcerning whom you do not wonder merals, for surely they would run up which side they will take when you are into the hundreds and the thousands. under discussion; those who would "Oh, give thanks unto the Lord, for he population are native born of native more gladly serve you than serve themselves; those to whom you can tell ever." Get into the habit of rehearsal everything without reserve; those who of the brightnesses of life. are first in your home by person or by there are than foul how many more telegram when you have trouble. Oh, what a blessing to have plenty of good people than bad you meet. Set friends! Aye, if you have only cne your misfortunes to music, as David opened his "dark sayings on a harp." good friend, you are blessed in that If it has been low tide heretofore, let glad possession. With one such friend the surges of mercy that are yet to you can defy the world. If you have been through some great crisis and you have one friend left, thank God and celebrate it on the oweetest harpstring.

have which I have not." I reply, it is ever. Amen!

throw it." You will be laboring in vala. "Lest," if you undertake to put this new sect down by force; "haply," possibly, "Ye be found even to fight against God." Felix trembled before him, and the were confounded by his sermon on the hat is a battle in which no man can brotherhood of man, what he saw at Ephesus and Syracuse and Philippi and

win. "And when they had . . . beaten them." St. Faul, as he tells us in 2 Cor. II: 24, was five times flogged by the Jews, "And . . . commanded . . . them," as if that would do any good. Rejoicing in Persecution.-Vs. 41, 42. "Set before your pupils the magnificent boldness of Peter and all the rest in the matchless sneach (vs. 29.22). There is Rome and how dark was the Mamertine dungeon and how sharp the ax that beheaded him on the road to Os-

tia. What a thrill of excitement for us when we gaze upon the heroes and matchless speech (vs. 29-32). There nething more sublime in literature. Ne fail to show the supernal greatness fail to show the supernal greatness There is Neve

the reward in heaven," for it gives an opportunity of gaining the heavenly char acter and split, the heavenly capacity for joy. Only through battlefields car government planning for his assassination; in after time whipped as though ome victory and crowns. (2) It gives an pportunity to express our love to Jesus; o prove it to him, to ourselves, and to he were a criminal; asleep on the cold mountains because no one offered him the world. a lodging; though the greatest being

"They ceased not." "They ceased not." Not that persecution always has in it in element of meanness. It is the strong verbearing the weak, not in intellect or drue, but in numbers and popular

his lacerated form put in sepulcher, The Treatment of Error. The sentiment The Treatment of Error. The sentiment of Gamaliel is full of wisdom in regard to the treatment of error. Jesus himself said. "Every plant, which my heavenly Father hath not planted, shall be rooted up" (Matt. 15: 13). For (1) the very way to exalt error into notice, and to confirm men in it, is to opnose it in a harsh, au-thoritative, and unkind manner. (2). Error, if left alone, will often die away itself. The interest of men in it will often cease as soon as it ceases to be opposed; and having nothing to fan the flame, it will expire. It is not so with truth. (3) This does not mean that error is to do all the talking, and truth never attempt to set then reanimated and ascended to be the center of all heavenly admiration -upon that greatest martyr and mightiest hero of all the centuries we will be permitted to look. Put that Now take down your harp of ten strings and sweep all the chords, making all of them tremble with a great does not mean that error is to do all the talking, and truth never attempt to set the people right. But (4) the power of truth is positive. In the presence of error preach the truth, and live the gospel, taking as little notice of the error as pos-sible. One revival of religion is worth more to put down infidelity than a million books full of unanswerable arguments. Persecution a Failure. The one way to overcome evil is by good. Only moral weapons can really destroy moral evil. But persecution in the end usually helps the good, lit is a sleve that slifts out the chaff from wheat, the bad seed from the good, both in the community and the in-dividual. Many a man's plety shines brighter, and his strength is increased by opposition. delightsome food, eyesight, hearing, healthful sleep, power of physical locomotion, illumined nights, mental faculties in equipoise, friendships of life, gospel advantages and heavenly anticipations. Let us make less complaint and offer more thanks, render less dirge and more cantata. Take paper and pen and write down in long columns your blessings. I have recited only ten. To express al. the mercies God has bestowed you would have to

### The Population of Massachusetta,

In Massachusetts 44 per cent of the is good, for his mercy endureth for- parents, and 56 per cent are foreigners.

#### ODDS AND ENDS.

Of all money transactions in England 97 per cent are transacted by checks, only 3 per cent by notes and gold.

"Johnnie, what do you want me to roll in upon you reach high water mark. All things will work together buy you for Christmas?" "How much for your good, and heaven is not far money you got?"-Cleveland Plain ahead. Wake up all the ten strings, Dealer.

The number of eggs in cold storage Elessing and honor and glory and "While all this is so," says some one, power be unto him that sitteth upon in the United States on October 15 "there are so many things that others the throne and unto the Lamb for- was 720,000,000, in value about \$10,-000,000 worth.

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